

## REMARKS

With the cancellation of claims 16 and 17, claims 14, 15, 18 to 22, and 24 to 27 are pending in the present application. Since Applicants have incorporated the suggested amendments in the Office Action, Applicants respectfully submit that the pending claims are patentable.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that all pending claims of the present application are now in condition for allowance. Prompt reconsideration and allowance of the present application are therefore earnestly solicited.

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